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SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL DIRECTIVE ON NARCOTICS CONTROL ACTIVITIES

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1. IN ACCORDANCE REFERENCED INSTRUCTION, I HAVE REVIEWED OUR EMBASSY'S DRUG ABUSE PROGRAM TO EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE I ATTACH TO PROGRAM, I HAVE APPOINTED MY DCM AS EMBASSY NARCOTIC CONTROL OFFICER. DCM HAS ACTUALLY BEEN FOLLOWING DRUG MATTERS AND COORDINATING OUR PROGRAM OVER PAST FIVE YEARS. EMBASSY IS IN PROCESS OF REVIEWING DRUG PROGRAM RESULTS OF WHICH WILL BE SUBMITTED TO DEPT SHORTLY.

2. AS TO EXISTING PROGRAM, ROSTER OF FOUR DEA OFFICERS WHICH WE HAVE NOW IS RIGHT NUMBER FOR PROGRAM PARTICULARLY IN VIEW REGIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICE. I ALSO BELIEVE SMALL TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT ASSISTANCE WE HAVE ACCORDED GOL HAS MADE SIGNIFICANT AND WELCOMED CONTRIBUTION TO GOL DRUG CONTROL EFFORT AND WE WILL HAVE RECOMMENDATIONS RE FURTHER ASSISTANCE IN OUR COUNTRY PROGRAM. OUR DEA OFFICE HAS CONSIDERABLY INTENSIFIED ITS INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO

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MANUFACTURING HERE AND IN GENERAL, TRANSIT OF
HARD DRUGS. HASHISH, OF COURSE, IS ONE OF OUR
MAJOR PREOCCUPATIONS AND WE ARE PARTICULARLY
DISTURBED BY INTRODUCTION AND SIGNIFICANT
INCREASE IN PRODUCTION OF HASHISH OIL
OVER PAST YEAR AND A HALF. WE ARE PUSHING AS FAR AS
WE CAN GO ON STRICTER CONTROL OF BOTH HARD DRUGS AND
HASHISH. WE BELIEVE THERE IS MORE COMMITMENT TO THE FORMER
THAN TO THE LATTER WHICH PRESENTS GOVT WITH DIFFICULT
POLITICAL, SOCIO AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. IN EXERTING
PRESSURE ON THE GOVT, WE HAVE TO BEAR THIS PROBLEM IN MIND
AS WELL AS FACT THAT THE OPERATIONS OF OUR DEA AGENTS HERE
ARE DEPENDENT ON THE GOL'S CONTINUED WILLINGNESS
TO ACCEPT AND COOPERATE WITH THOSE OPERATIONS.
AS DEPT AWARE, WE HAVE NO AGREEMENT GOVERNING DEA OPERATIONS
AND IT MOST UNLIKELY FOR DOMESTIC POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS
THAT GOL WOULD BE WILLING TO CONCLUDE SUCH AN AGREEMENT.
SO FAR, COOPERATION WITH OUR AGENTS HAS BEEN GOOD.

3. FURTHER DETAILS ON OUR ACTIVITIES WILL BE INCLUDED
IN OUR NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM SUBMISSION.

4. THERE IS ONE AREA WHERE WASHINGTON COULD BE HELPFUL
IN MAKING OUR PROGRAM MORE EFFECTIVE AND IN ASSURING THE
CONTINUED COOPERATION OF THE LEBANESE GOVT.
NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES IN WASHINGTON HAVE, FOR
REASONS NOT ALTOGETHER CLEAR TO US, BEEN RELUCTANT AT TIMES
TO SHARE INFORMATION BOTH WITH THE EMBASSY AND WITH THE GOL
ON NARCOTIC MATTERS WHICH CONCERN LEBANON. THE LEBANESE ARE
VERY MUCH AWARE OF OUR BEHAVIOR IN THIS REGARD AND RESENT IT.
IF WE ARE NOT TO JEOPARDIZE THE STATUS OF OUR DEA AGENTS, AND
PARTICULARLY THEIR OPERATIONS WITHIN THE COUNTRY, WE MUST BE
MORE FORTHCOMING ON NARCOTICS INFORMATION WHICH WE POSSESS
AND WHICH CONCERNS LEBANON.
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